

## NEW COUNCIL; ORGANIZES

Members Holding Over and  
New Members Meet at  
Noon Today

### MR. BROCKETT RESIGNS

F. F. Marbury to Preside in Aldermen  
and Howard W. Smith in the Com-  
mon Council.

The new City Council was organized at noon today. F. F. Marbury, a former member of the body from the Second ward, and for some time President, recently elected member from the First ward, was chosen President of the Board of Aldermen, succeeding Henry K. Field, who is now a member of the Common Council, from the Second ward, Howard W. Smith, succeeded himself as President of the Common Council. Luther H. Thompson, was re-elected Clerk of the Board of Aldermen, and Daniel R. Stansbury, clerk of the Common Council. Leonard Cheshire was re-elected Messenger of the Aldermen, and William Craven of the Common Council.

After the reorganization of the two boards, Thomas A. Fisher, who succeeds himself as Mayor, was formally inaugurated at a joint session of the two boards.

As is usual on the first day, few miscellaneous matters were brought up.

#### Board of Aldermen.

The personnel of the upper board is now as follows: Messrs. Jacob Brill of the First ward, George Robinson of the Second ward, Maurice Wilkins of the Third ward, and C. J. W. Summers, of the Fourth ward, who hold over two years. Messrs. F. F. Marbury of the First, W. W. Ballenger of the Second, John T. Harrison of the Third, and J. B. Fitzgerald of the Fourth, are the newly-elected members.

The clerk called the board to order at noon and stated that the first business in order would be the election of a President.

Mr. Brill nominated F. F. Marbury, and he was elected by a unanimous vote. He was sworn in by Justice Thompson, after which the latter administered the oath of office to the new members.

Mr. Brill was elected vice President, and he also received the unanimous vote of the board, his competitor, Mr. Ballenger making a motion to that effect.

Messrs. Marbury and Brill thanked the members for the courtesy and reliance placed in them.

Luther H. Thompson was subsequently re-elected clerk, as was also Leonard Cheshire messenger.

The board later proceeded to the chamber of the Common Council, for the purpose of witnessing the inauguration of Mayor-elect Fisher, and upon their return adjourned.

#### Common Council.

Daniel R. Stansbury, clerk, called the councilmen to order at 12:10. Louis N. Duffey attorney, administered the oath of office to the eight newly elected members of common council, Howard W. Smith and George H. Evans, from the first ward, Jerome Kaufmann, and Henry K. Field, second, A. J. Pohl, and Harry R. Burke, third, and Albert Bryan and Clinton S. Ballenger, fourth.

Mr. Burke, nominated Mr. Smith for president. The motion was seconded by Mr. Bales, whereupon Mr. Desmond moved that the nominations be closed.

Mr. Smith was unanimously re-elected.

Captain Bryan was nominated for vice-president and was re-elected, as was also Daniel R. Stansbury, clerk, and William L. Craven, messenger.

A communication was received from Councilman Brockett of the third ward, resigning as a member of the board. Mr. Brockett's resignation was accepted.

Large Norfolk Oysters at the Rammel Cafe.

## CASE PUT UP TO CONGRESS

Immediate Passage of Eight  
Hour Day Law is  
Necessary

### WILL RUSH MEASURE

Bill Meeting Trainmen's Demand May  
Be Enacted by Senate and House  
Today.

Washington, Sept. 1.—If Congress can pass an eight-hour law before next Saturday night at midnight there will be no railway strike. President Wilson and the Administration leaders in both houses are bending every energy to bring about the passage of this law.

Late yesterday afternoon, just before the Senate adjourned, it was learned that the railroad brotherhoods, through A. B. Garretson, had agreed to accept the Adamson bill as a basis for calling off the strike that was set for next Monday.

The Adamson bill would provide for an eight-hour day at the present 10-hour day pay, effective next December 1. Employees would be given the prorata rate for overtime. A commission of three to be appointed by the President would report to him and Congress in not less than six nor more than nine months the effect of the eight-hour day. Expenses would be paid by a Federal appropriation of \$25,000.

The measure was introduced immediately by Representative Adamson with a view to having it passed and sent to the Senate today. House leaders agreed upon a rule providing for a vote on the bill in the House not later than 4:30 p. m. today.

The Interstate Commerce Committee of the Senate will at once prepare a similar measure and it will be introduced in the Senate today. In terms it may be identical with the House bill.

For the purpose of expediting the measure through the Senate, that body will meet at 10 o'clock this morning and begin consideration of the measure immediately. If passed before adjournment, the measures could be sent to a conference committee to night or Saturday morning and any differences in them reconciled within an hour or two. If the two bills are identical, one house or the other could concur and the bill sent at once to the President without further formality.

tion was promptly accepted.

Mr. Field introduced a resolution granting to the Masonic committee the right to use the armory from October 9th to the 21st for the joint masonic bazaar to be held for the benefit of the fund for the erection of the Washington Memorial. The resolution was adopted, Mr. Field asking early action on the part of council.

A paper was received from the board of aldermen regarding request of Charles Whitman to make repairs at his home at 324 south Alfred street, and the action of the higher branch was concurred in.

Mr. Burke then moved that the aldermen be invited to the joint session for the purpose of inaugurating the mayor-elect, Thomas A. Fisher, and the aldermen immediately responded; whereupon Mr. Marbury, who had been elected president of the aldermen, appointed a committee consisting of Alderman Harrison, and Councilman Bryan and Smith to escort and receive the mayor into the chamber, where Luther H. Thompson, as justice of the peace, swore him in. Mayor Fisher then delivered his inaugural address as follows: Gentlemen of the City Council and my Fellow Citizens:

In conformity to a custom—not so far as I know as a requirement of law—my presence here, upon your invitation, is for the purpose, in your presence, to publicly assume the duties of Mayor of our city for a new term by taking the usual oath of office. Custom has also been an excuse for those selected by the votes of a people to the office of Mayor to

Oyster season now opened at the Rammel Cafe.

## Alexandria City News Condensed

The Columbia Fire Company will hold their regular weekly crab pick tonight at their home on South St. Asaph street.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Pollard, their daughter, Miss Harriet Pollard, and Mr. Nevell S. Greenaway and daughter, Miss Coralie Greenaway, are on a motor trip to Pen Mar, Pa.

Regular meetings for the fall and winter of the Chamber of Commerce will be resumed Monday, September 12, and great interest is being manifested by members.

Mount Vernon Chapter, Royal Arch Masons, will, at its annual meeting tonight in the Masonic Temple, elect officers for the ensuing year.

Ernest R. Boyer, Grand Outer Guard, Knights of Pythias, has just completed official visits to Herndon Lodge, No. 84, and other lodges in the ninth district. The Grand Lodge convenes in Petersburg Oct. 3, and Oriental lodge of this city will be represented by James T. Luckett.

Preparations have been put under way by the Alexandria Gun Club for their October tournament, and, according to the statements by several club members, it is expected that a large number will contest for the ownership of the silver loving cup, which was won in the spring tournament by George B. Willis, but which has to be won three consecutive times for permanent possession.

make an address or speech upon similar occasions. I am far from being convinced of the propriety of resorting to this custom as an excuse or precedent for detaining you today, and only do so to emphasize, if I can, face to face and from my own mouth, by words, a matter or work in which I have enlisted and in which I feel a great interest, namely, the poor house, in which are housed the unfortunate and the public cemetery, which we term Penny Hill.

On March 22nd, 1915, I made conditions at the Poor House the subject matter of a letter to the City Council in which reference was made to liberal appropriations for school houses, fire engine houses, streets, annexation and other responsibilities, etc., and concluded with these words: "As to some uncertainty as to our financial policy, yet that will not deter me from insisting upon the matter of this communication receiving a full and fair consideration, and not pushed aside for something less urgent." That I failed to follow this intimation of what was much desired, indeed necessary, was not that my interest had lessened, but for the reason that I knew the financial problems that were being considered and in a personal way, thought it in bad taste to further urge the matter should I conclude to contest for the office with which my fellow-citizens have twice honored me. The Poor House should not be allowed to fall into further decay; it should be well repaired and not further patched. Its usefulness as a work house should be considered, as we have a large jail. At the next regular meeting I shall, through your Presidents, submit a letter from the state authorities relative to these matters. I ask early action. If we have money to appropriate for many charities which have sprung up in late years we have money for a proper house for the poor and improvements at Penny Hill. I have alluded to these matters today because with the hope that results will follow. I am now ready to subscribe to the usual oath of office.

The joint session was dissolved at 12:35 and directly after the common council adjourned to meet Tuesday night, September 12, when committee appointments will be made.

#### BLOT OUT KAISER'S NAME.

Rome, Sept. 1.—Workmen have chopped off the names of Emperor William and the German Crown Prince, Frederick William, which had been placed on the marble memorial in the Senatorial Palace on the ancient Capitol Hill during a visit of the German Emperor to Rome 20 years ago. The names were ordered removed by the city government.

#### Married

At Forestville, Md., August 28, 1916, by Rev. Jesse R. Cavalier, Cyril Sherman Brown, of Berwyn, Md., and Miss Florence Allen Anderson of Alexandria, Va.

When in Alexandria, visit the Rammel Cafe, North Royal Street.

Miss Louise Payne, who has been visiting Mrs. J. T. Ashton and Mrs. A. G. Uhler in this city, has returned to her home in Lynchburg.

John M. Leadbeater, who has been spending several weeks at the military instruction camp at Plattsburg, N. Y., has returned to his home in this city.

During the month of August 48 deeds were recorded in the office of N. S. Greenaway, clerk of courts, and 73 marriage licenses were issued, 55 to white and 18 to colored.

Police Justice Harry B. Caton has returned from a vacation of about eleven weeks, which included an extended sea trip, and has resumed his duties as justice.

"The Three Angels' Messages" of Revelation, the fourteenth chapter, will be the subject of the discourse to be delivered by Elder Stewart Kime, of Washington, D. C., at the gospel tent on north Washington street tonight. This is the last message to be given the world before the second coming of Jesus Christ, according to the claim of the Adventists.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter H. Anderson announce the marriage of their daughter, Florence Allen Anderson, to Mr. Cyril Sherman Brown, of Berwyn, Md., on Monday, August 28, 1916, at Forestville, Md., by the Rev. Jesse R. Cavalier, pastor of the Methodist Church. The young couple will make their home in Washington, D. C.

#### SHOE STORE ROBBED

Several Pairs Taken From Jos. Heymel's Store on North Royal Street Last Night

The shoe store on Royal street, between King and Cameron, owned by Joseph Heymel, was entered by burglars between 11:30 o'clock last night and 6:30 o'clock this morning, and several pairs of shoes were stolen. It is not known how many pairs were taken yet, but the owner has at least four pairs already unaccounted for.

Numbers of pairs on display in the show windows were taken out and dumped on the floor by the men during their plundering, it being thought by Heymel that the burglars left them there when scared off by Mrs. Heymel, who Heymel told a representative of the Gazette this morning got up in the night and moved around upstairs unconscious, however, that anything out of the ordinary was taking place below.

#### THANKS FROM OCCOQUAN

Mayor Thomas A. Fisher has Received The Following

Occoquan, Va., Aug. 29, 1916.  
Mr. Thomas A. Fisher, Mayor, Alexandria, City,  
Dear Sir:

I am instructed to forward to you the inclosed resolutions, which were adopted by the Council of the Corporation of Occoquan, Va., at a meeting held on Monday night August 28th, 1916, with the request that you give them such publicity as you deem proper:

Yours truly  
P. E. HUMMILL, Clerk.

At a meeting of the Council of the Corporation of Occoquan, Va., held on Monday night August 28th, 1916, it was resolved on its own part, and on the part of the town, that the Mayor of Occoquan be requested to express to the Mayor and people of Alexandria, Va., our gratitude for their prompt and efficient response to our call for aid in time of peril.

That we will gratefully remember those brave men of the Alexandria Fire Department, whose timely arrival saved our town from total destruction, which seemed imminent in spite of the best efforts of our citizens nobly assisted by the many generous neighbors who had come to their aid.

That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the Mayor and the Chief of the Fire Department of Alexandria City.

JOHN R. SELECMAN, Mayor.

When down town visit the Rammel Cafe, North Royal Street.

Friends of Mr. Edgar Warfield, jr., regret his illness at his home in Rosemont.

Andrew Jackson Lodge of Masons held a called meeting last night in the Masonic Temple.

Frank Bryant, 55 years old, a well-known and respected old colored man, died yesterday at his home, 611 south Alfred street.

Miss Anna Summers has returned from a stay on the Eastern Shore of Maryland, greatly improved in health.

The Virginia hunting season opened today and many gunners of this city will soon be hunting in woods of Alexandria and Fairfax counties. In the lower part of the latter it is reported that there are large numbers of quail and ortolan.

Alexandria's summer playground for children closed yesterday after a successful summer. Miss Harriet Kail has been the superintendent and William L. Schafer, jr., the boy's athletic director. The class in rhythmic dancing gave final exercises yesterday evening.

No clues have been found nor has any one appeared at the police station to identify the clothing found Tuesday night on the Charles MacAlester wharf by rivermen. The most common theory is still that the man was drowned, although his body has not been found floating around any of the wharves along the river.

#### CONDITIONS IN THE BALKANS

Roumania Forging Ahead to Form Junction With Russians

Berlin, Sept. 1.—Roumania severed diplomatic relations with Bulgaria at 6:30 last night, according to a dispatch received by the Bulgarian legation today.

London, Sept. 1.—A Reuter's dispatch from Saloniki today said an unconfirmed report had been received from Athens that King Constantine had abdicated his throne and that the crown prince had been appointed regent.

General mobilization of the Greek army has been ordered, the report said, and ex-Premier Venizelos, leader of the pro-allied war party, is supporting the Zaimis ministry.

The prompt entry of Greece into the war on the side of the allies is now being freely predicted as a certainty.

London, Sept. 1.—The speedy entrance of Greece into the war, possibly within the next twenty-four hours, is predicted in dispatches from Athens. Long before the Greek elections, which are scheduled for October 8, the army will have been mobilized and fighting under the flag of the entente allies, it is declared.

King Constantine, under close guard in his palace, is believed to have played his last card to keep the nation out of the war.

Details of a conference between the monarch and the entente ministers, French, Russian and British, are eagerly awaited.

All news from Athens has been delayed from twenty-four to forty-eight hours for the last two weeks, and late last night no intimation of the result of this probably historic conference had reached here.

The Greek army is preparing for active service.

All staff officers on leave have been recalled and a general mobilization is expected at any moment.

The Greek legation here denies sensational reports sent out from Saloniki that the king had fled to Larisa to seek protection under a German Uhlan guard, and that fighting between allied and Greek troops was going on around his summer home near Athens.

Amsterdam, Sept. 1.—The Roumanian minister at Sofia, says a Berlin dispatch, asked for his passports Wednesday evening, thus severing diplomatic relations with Bulgaria.

The union meeting of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers, which was to have been held in Richmond September 4, has been postponed on account of strike conditions.

Oysters in all styles at the Rammel Cafe, North Royal Street.

## RAILROADS WILL RESIST

Heads Hold That Adamson  
Bill Exceeds Power of  
Congress

### WON'T CLOSE TROUBLE

Unorganized Railroad Employees put  
in a Plea for Inclusion in Benefits  
of New Law

Chicago, Sept. 1.—Passage by Congress of the Adamson Compromise Eight-Hour bill probably would postpone the trainmen's strike, but it would not settle the matter, presidents of three Western railroads declare.

Furthermore, such legislation would be far from satisfactory to the railroads, they said.

"The railroads would take no precipitate action in the event the bill were passed," said Hale Holden, president of the Chicago, Burlington and Quincy, who was spokesman for the railway managers at their recent conference with President Wilson. "But we certainly will not allow an illegal law to stand if we can help it."

"It is my understanding that the Supreme Court of the United States has held recently in two cases that the Congress of the United States has absolutely no power to fix wages. That what the Adamson bill amounts to, according to my understanding, if it is passed it would only postpone the issue."

Similar sentiments were expressed by E. P. Ripley, president of the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe, and President H. R. Kurrie of the Monon.

If the men accept the Adamson compromise its effect will probably be that of postponing the strike," said President Ripley, "but it will not settle the matter. Such a measure might well be satisfactory to the men, inasmuch as it gives them what they are seeking—an eight-hour day with 10 hours' pay. It is not satisfactory to the railroads. Congress has no right to pass such a measure."

Marvin Hughitt, Jr., vice-president of the Chicago and Northwestern Railway, said that in the event of a strike his road had received such assurances of loyalty from trainmen as to justify the prediction that passenger service would be maintained practically unimpaired. E. D. Suwall, vice-president of the Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul, said that his road had assurances from its men which justified a statement that the road would be able to care for the real necessities of the public.

It was reported that others of the 23 roads centering in Chicago felt that enforcement of the strike order would fail to cripple them seriously.

#### TO SHOOT AIRMEN ON SIGHT

Canada Gives Orders to Fire on Machines Crossing Border.

Niagara Falls, Ont., Sept. 1.—Orders were received Wednesday by the Welland Canal guard patrolling this district to fire on airmen venturing over the inter-national boundary. The order comes as the result of two flights made last week by Aviator Phil Raider, of the Curtiss school of Buffalo, who, after spiraling over the falls, circled over Canadian territory. On one of these flights Raider carried Miss Norma Mack, daughter of Norman E. Mack, of Buffalo, as a passenger. There is not a gun of the anti-aircraft type in this district, but several will be sent from Toronto headquarters immediately, it is said.

Seamen on the Great Lakes will not become involved in the railroad strike, if called, according to Victor A. Olander, secretary of the Lake Seamen's Union.

A new slide in the Culebra cut, possibly of serious proportions yesterday prevented the passage of steamships through the Panama Canal. The City of Para is one of the steamships held up by the slide.

Delicious oysters at the Rammel Cafe, season now open.

## HASTY PLANS FOR SERVICE

Loyal Employees Will Operate  
rate Trains in Old  
Dominion

### MAY AVERT A STRIKE

R. F. and P. and C. and O. Office  
Forces Assure Management of Their  
Undivided Support

Richmond, Sept. 1.—Tentative schedules and plans for operating as many trains as possible immediately after the strike is placed in effect Monday morning, in the event that all efforts to stay it are unavailing, were being worked out yesterday by Richmond railroad officials. With embargoes declared against freight as a preliminary protection to the railroad and the public, and passengers warned to reach their destinations not later than Sunday night to avoid probable delays and inconveniences, local officials bent their efforts towards devising a provisional transportation system manned by such employees as may stand by the roads.

Richmond, Fredericksburg and Potomac Railroad headquarters officials made the statement late yesterday that their trains would continue in service. A sufficient number of men, within and without the brotherhoods, they said, had assured the management that they will not walk out to make possible the operation of trains between this city and Washington.

While admitting that service might be curtailed, they were unusually well prepared, they said, to handle the situation.

Officers of this road said that they would be able to handle quantities of important perishable freight, such as foodstuffs, indicating that there was no need to be unduly alarmed about the food supply. The road expected no trouble in handling the mails, or in maintaining a reasonable passenger service.

The Chesapeake and Ohio Railway was likewise making plans for the operation of its trains, and conferences between operating heads were continued late into the night. Both roads, it was learned, will depend in a large measure on their shop employees to operate the locomotives and for the other mechanical work. From the men in the general offices, especially in the transportation departments, will be selected many to act in the capacity of conductors and trainmen. Officials of both roads were authorized for the statement that many of the men in the general offices would make equally as good running crews as some now employed in that capacity. The railroads are also depending on many members of the brotherhoods who are expected to remain at their positions.

Five railroads and one steamship company entering Richmond have declared embargoes, more or less stringent, against freight and passengers, effective at various times before Monday morning at 7 o'clock. Those that issued orders yesterday against the acceptance of freight were the Southern, the Chesapeake and Ohio, the Seaboard Air Line and the Old Dominion Steamship Company. The Richmond, Fredericksburg and Potomac and the Norfolk and Western Railroads declared embargoes Wednesday.

The Atlantic Coast Line issued a statement last night warning passengers that, effective to-day, all tickets will be sold and baggage checked subject to delay and detention. No instructions as to freight movements had been received by local officials, but such orders, they said, might be expected today.

Beans she held in her mouth lodged in the windpipe of Anna May Dietz, 3 years old, of York, Pa., when she fell yesterday and caused her death. It is said all the beans, which the child was using with a tin blower were removed from the windpipe except one, which caused internal hemorrhages.

The Rammel Cafe have now ready to serve, delicious oysters.